


**DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY
THE COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE,
COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT (CERCLA)**

Federal Lien

1. **AUTHORITY.** Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended, to file notice of and assert either a Federal lien upon real property and any rights to such property, or a maritime lien in favor of the United States.
2. **TO WHOM REDELEGATED.**
 - a. Through the Director, Superfund and Emergency Management Division, or equivalent, through the Branch Chiefs, Emergency Management Branch and Remedial Cleanup Branch, or equivalents, to the Section Chiefs, Emergency Response Section, Spill Prevention and Removal Section, and Site Cleanup Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4, or equivalents.
 - b. Through the Regional Counsel, Office of Regional Counsel, to the Branch Chief, Land Law Branch, or equivalent.
3. **LIMITATIONS.**
 - a. The regional administrator, division director, branch chief, or section chief must notify the AA for OECA, or his/her designee, when exercising the above authority.
 - b. The clearance or approval of the form, text, and legal sufficiency of each legally operative document issued pursuant to this redelegation must be obtained from an appropriate branch chief in the Office of Regional Counsel before signing and issuing such document.
4. **REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.**
 - a. This authority may be redelegated to the section chief level, or equivalent.
 - b. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.
5. **SUPERSESSION.** This delegation supersedes R10 14-26 (04/20/2012), R10 14-26(1)(ECL) (05/03/2012), R10 14-26(1)(ORC) (05/07/2012), and any other delegation of the same authority.
6. **ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.**
 - a. CERCLA, Sections 107(l), (m), and (r).
 - b. EPA Delegation 14-12.
 - c. EPA Delegation 14-26.

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Date


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